

pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Outer Continental Shelf Air Regulations Consistency Update for Alaska" (FRL No. 8249-2) received on February 7, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-738. A communication from the Board Members, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the justification of its budget estimates for fiscal year 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-739. A communication from the Inspector General, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's budget request for fiscal year 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-740. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, a report of proposed legislation relative to making corrections to the process for certification of Federal agencies' performance appraisal systems; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-741. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's Annual Privacy Activity Report for 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-742. A communication from the Director, Financial Management, Government Accountability Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report of the Comptrollers' General Retirement System for fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-743. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of proposed legislation entitled "National Defense Authorization Bill for Fiscal Year 2008"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment:

S. 214. A bill to amend chapter 35 of title 28, United States Code, to preserve the independence of United States attorneys.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself, Mr. BUNNING, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. KERRY, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. REED, Mrs. CLINTON, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 543. A bill to improve Medicare beneficiary access by extending the 60 percent compliance threshold used to determine whether a hospital or unit of a hospital is an inpatient rehabilitation facility under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 544. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit to certain agriculture-related businesses for the cost of protecting certain chemicals; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LOTT:

S. 545. A bill to improve consumer access to passenger vehicle loss data held by insur-

ers; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 546. A bill to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to make available additional amounts to address funding shortfalls in the State Children's Health Insurance Program for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. LEVIN, and Mrs. McCASKILL):

S. 547. A bill to establish a Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security for Management, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. BENNETT, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. DODD, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. STEVENS):

S. 548. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that a deduction equal to fair market value shall be allowed for charitable contributions of literary, musical, artistic, or scholarly compositions created by the donor; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. REED, and Mr. BROWN):

S. 549. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to preserve the effectiveness of medically important antibiotics used in the treatment of human and animal diseases; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. VOINOVICH, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 550. A bill to preserve existing judgeships on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 551. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit to certain agriculture-related businesses for the cost of protecting certain chemicals; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. STEVENS):

S. 552. A bill to provide for the tax treatment of income received in connection with the litigation concerning the Exxon Valdez oil spill and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DODD (for himself and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 553. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Eightmile River in the State of Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DORGAN:

S. 554. A bill to reduce the Federal budget deficit, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. BOND, and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 555. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow small businesses to set up simple cafeteria plans to provide nontaxable employee benefits to their employees, to make changes in the requirements for cafeteria plans, flexible spending accounts, and benefits provided under such plans or accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. DODD, and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. 556. A bill to reauthorize the Head Start Act, and for other purposes; to the Com-

mittee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mrs. DOLE, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. KYL):

S. 557. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the depreciation classification of motorsports entertainment complexes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. ENZI, Mr. BROWN, Mr. SMITH, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. WARNER, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. HATCH, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. 558. A bill to provide parity between health insurance coverage of mental health benefits and benefits for medical and surgical services; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. BROWNBACK):

S. Res. 77. A resolution expressing support for the Transitional Federal Government of the Somali Republic; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself, Mr. REID, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. WEBB, Mr. BYRD, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. WARNER, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. Con. Res. 10. A concurrent resolution honoring and praising the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the occasion of its 98th anniversary; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 21

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 21, a bill to expand access to preventive health care services that help reduce unintended pregnancy, reduce abortions, and improve access to women's health care.

S. 52

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 52, a bill to amend the Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933 to increase the membership of the Board of Directors and require that each State in the service area of the Tennessee Valley Authority be represented by at least 1 member.

S. 98

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) was added as a cosponsor